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New Screening of Reserve Officers and NCOs

1. Since July 1951 reserve officers and NCOs have been undergoing a new screening. Reservists are notified to report to their District Military Command, allegedly for a reexamination of military and personal documents, the issuance of new military books containing the photograph of the bearer, undergoing a new medical examination, and taking measurements for new uniforms. The real purpose of the screening, however, is to determine the degree of political reliability of each man and to reassign him accordingly.
2. The reservist is notified to bring with him to the District Military Command six photographs 3.5 x 3.5 cm. (photographed in civilian clothes without a hat, size of face 2 cm.). Without the photos a military book will not be issued. To accelerate the procedure, the following documents must be brought when the reservist reports for screening:

Citizen's ID card
Labor certificate
Party card, SCsP, CSM, ROH, SOKOL, etc.
Certificate of graduation from school
Military certificate
Notice of nomination to reserve status
Certificate of illegal activity during the German occupation
Certificate of graduation from military schools or courses
Certificate of partisan activity, participation in the Prague rebellion, the Slovak national rebellion, etc.
Documents of military, civil or labor decorations
Personalia of wife, children, parents and relatives (of reservist and wife)
Certificate of blood group

In addition, the reservist must know what size shoes he takes, his head size, collar size and waist size for the issuance of new uniforms.

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3. The screening notification is a valid excuse for absence from work on the indicated date. Expenses incurred in traveling to and from the District Military Command offices will not be defrayed by the Military Administration. If the appointment cannot be kept, the fact must be reported to the District Command immediately, along with a valid certification (medical or otherwise). In such emergencies, the reservist in question will be excused and called later. The screening is expected to last until September 1951.

Recruiting of Reserve Officers into Active Service

4. Reservists in the district of Kralupy nad Vltavou (N51/F60) received appeals from the County Military Command, Prague, to volunteer for active service. However, the appeals received only slight response. During the annual training exercises, pressure was applied to reservists and officers were threatened with the loss of their rank if they did not join the active service. Doctors in particular are in demand, and even specialists are not excluded from this "voluntary recruiting". For example, a gynecologist, age 37, was called up for further active service.

Call-up of the Class of 1931

5. Conscripts born in 1929, 1930 and even some of the class of 1931 who were conscripted in the spring of 1951 are now being called to military service. They are notified by card and not by public notices.

Military Administration, Pilsen

6. The building of the former Command of the Third Army is still occupied by soldiers. Located in Klatovska Avenue about one block from the municipal theater, the building was a private residence before the war. Now, on the left side of the door there is a plaque about 30 x 40 cm. with the inscription "Military Administration, Pilsen". A guard is on duty in front of the building.
7. The building of the 11th Division in Tylova Street is also occupied by troops. The office of the OZ, headed by Major Janda is known to be in this building as well as the offices of the division medical service headed by General Reiman, M.D.
8. The barracks located in Nejedleho sady Street are occupied by infantry and the Pilsen garrison's command. The County Military Command of Pilsen is located in a house on the corner of Skroupova and Wilsonova Streets opposite the former ASO store.

Recruits Assigned to PS Units

9. About 200 recruits who entered military service in June 1951 arrived at the Training Center of the PS Brigade, Volary, at Pec Na Sumave (N50/P60) in July 1951.

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